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1. SUMMARY. WE BELIEVE STAGE HAS NOW BEEN SET FOR CO-CHAIRMEN

TO MEET AND REACH AGREEMENT ON SLATE OF NONALIGNED CANDIDATES FOR MEMBERSHIP IN CCD. SOVIETS SHARE OUR VIEW AND MEETING WILL BE SCHEDULED FOR WEEK OF JULY 29. CO-CHAIRMEN HAD DEFERRED TAKING THIS STEP UNTIL NOW IN ORDER TO HELP ALLAY NONALIGNED CONCERNS THAT THEY MIGHT ATTEMPT TO DICTATE A NEW MEMBERSHIP SLATE TO THE COMMITTEE. IT WAS ALSO FELT THAT BEST WAY TO ATTAIN US OBJECTIVE OF REACHING FIRM CONSENSUS ON NEW MEMBERSHIP LIST CAPABLE OF SURVIVING GA SCRUTINY WOULD BE BY BRINGING THE NONALIGNED INTO THE CONSULTATIVE PROCESS AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE AND BY GIVING THEM SENSE OF CONTRIBUTING TO THE FORMATION OF THE CO-CHAIRMEN'S POSITION ON A NEW SLATE. PAST THREE WEEKS SEEM TO HAVE BEEN WELL SPENT IN THIS REGARD. INITIAL NON-ALIGNED APPREHENSIONS SEEM TO HAVE BEEN OVERCOME AND THEY APPEAR SATISFIED WITH THE WAY THE ENLARGEMENT PROJECT IS DEVELOPING. MOREOVER, WE JUDGE THAT THE PROSPECTS ARE GOOD FOR REACHING A CONSENSUS IN THE COMMITTEE FOR ADMITTING PERU AND ZAIRE AND EITHER INDONESIA OR IRAN. WHILE THERE IS SOME SUPPORT FOR ADMITTING BOTH INDONESIA AND IRAN WE ARE CONCERNED THAT THIS MIGHT STIMULATE PRESSURES HERE OR AT GA FOR AN ADDITIONAL LATIN AMERICAN AND AFRICAN STATE, POSSIBLY INCLUDING ALGERIA. PENDING FURTHER EXAMINATION OF THIS PROBLEM WE THINK WE SHOULD NOT REVEAL OUR WILLINGNESS TO ADMIT BOTH IRAN AND INDONESIA AT THIS TIME. END SUMMARY.

2. EARLIER THIS MONTH, THE CO-CHAIRMEN HAD DECIDED THAT ACHIEVEMENT OF A COMMITTEE CONSENSUS ON THE CCD'S ENLARGEMENT WOULD BE FACILITATED IF THEY DEFERRED FOR A SHORT TIME ANY FURTHER MOVES TOWARDS REACHING AGREEMENT AMONG THEMSELVES ON A SLATE OF NON-ALIGNED CANDIDATES (GENEVA 4190). IT HAD ALREADY BECOME CLEAR FROM PREVIOUS CONSULTATIONS THAT NO IMPORTANT DIFFERENCE WAS LIKELY TO DEVELOP BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE SOVIETS OVER SUCH A SLATE AND IT WAS ALSO EVIDENT THAT WE AND THE SOVIETS WERE PURSUING THE SAME GENERAL OBJECTIVES IN CONNECTION WITH THE ENLARGEMENT.

3. SOVIETS ALSO SHARED OUR VIEW, HOWEVER, THAT IF THE CO-CHAIRMEN MOVED TOO QUICKLY TO FIRM-UP THEIR OWN SLATE, THIS WOULD SERIOUSLY RISK ALIENATING THE NONALIGNED, THE LATTER HAVE, FROM THE OUTSET, BEEN APPREHENSIVE THAT THE U.S. AND USSR MIGHT TRY TO IMPOSE THEIR OWN PREFERRED NONALIGNED CANDIDATES ON THE COMMITTEE OR OTHERWISE REPEAT THE MUCH CRITICIZED ENLARGEMENT PROCESS OF 1969.

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TO ALLAY THESE CONCERNS, CO-CHAIRMEN HAVE BEEN STRESSING TO NONALIGNED THAT THEY WISHED TO HAVE THE FULLEST POSSIBLE CONSULTATION WITH THEM OVER THE ENLARGEMENT ISSUE, AND THAT THEY SOUGHT TO REACH A GENUINE CONSENSUS AMONG ALL CCD MEMBERS ON A NEW SLATE OF CANDIDATES HERE. ACCORDINGLY, CO-CHAIRMEN MADE IT KNOWN TO NONALIGNED, DURING FIRST WEEK OF JULY, THAT THEY WOULD WAIT FOR A WEEK OR TWO TO LET NEWS OF THE FRG AND GDR

APPLICATIONS CIRCULATE AND TO GIVE THE PRESENT NONALIGNED MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE A FURTHER OPPORTUNITY TO EXCHANGE VIEWS AMONG THEMSELVES.

4. IT WAS ALSO OUR FEELING THAT THIS TYPE OF CAREFULLY-PACED APPROACH WOULD HELP PREVENT THE BUILDING UP OF NONALIGNED PRESSURES FOR DROPPING THE CO-CHAIRMANSHIP OR MAKING OTHER ORGANIZATIONAL CHANGES AND WE HAVE NOTED THAT, FOR ONE REASON OR ANOTHER, NONALIGNED INTEREST IN ANY SUCH CHANGES NOW APPEARS TO HAVE DROPPED OFF. MOREOVER, WHILE THE NONALIGNED REMAIN OBVIOUSLY FRUSTRATED AND CONCERNED ABOUT THE LACK OF PROGRESS ON SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES AT CCD AGAIN THIS SESSION, THEY SEEM GENERALLY PLEASED ABOUT THE WAY THE ENLARGEMENT PROJECT IS MOVING AND SOME ARE CLEARLY ENTHUSED ABOUT BEING INVOLVED IN A "NEGOTIATION" OF SORTS AT THE COMMITTEE ON THIS MATTER.

5. IN RECENT WEEKS, THE ENLARGEMENT ISSUE HAS BEEN DISCUSSED AT SEVERAL MEETINGS OF THE CCD NONALIGNED GROUP AND HAS ALSO BEEN A VERY LIVE SUBJECT OF INFORMAL CONSULTATION AND CORRIDOR CONVERSATION. IN SUCH EXCHANGES, U.S. DELOFFS HAVE SOUGHT TO KEEP THE NONALIGNED REPRESENTATIVES' CONSIDERATION OF THE ENLARGEMENT ISSUE CHANNELED IN THE PROPER DIRECTION. WE HAVE ENCOURAGED THEM TO THINK IN TERMS OF A VERY LIMITED ENLARGEMENT AND WITH EXCEPTION DISCUSSED BELOW REGARDING ASIAN REPRESENTATION, THERE SEEMS TO BE WIDE AGREEMENT NOW AMONG COMMITTEE MEMBERS THAT ONLY THREE NONALIGNED STATES SHOULD BE ADMITTED. WE HAVE ALSO REMAINED ALERT TO ANY SIGNS THAT THE NONALIGNED MIGHT BE GIVING SERIOUS THOUGHT TO CANDIDATES THAT WOULD BE UNACCEPTABLE TO THE UNITED STATES. WITH ONE POSSIBLE EXCEPTION THAT WILL BE DISCUSSED BELOW, NO SUCH CANDIDACY HAD COME TO OUR
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ATTENTION AND INDEED ALL OF THOSE WHICH ARE MOST COMMONLY DISCUSSED ARE HIGH ON THE LIST OF U.S. PREFERENCES CONTAINED IN OUR GUIDANCE. AT THE SAME TIME, WE HAVE ALSO SOUGHT TO MAKE SURE THAT THE NONALIGNED DO NOT, AT THIS EXPLORATORY STAGE, OVERLOOK ADDITIONAL COUNTRIES (SUCH AS CAMEROON) THAT HAVE NOT GENERATED MUCH INTEREST IN THE MINDS OF OTHERS BUT WHICH THE US WOULD VIEW VERY FAVORABLY.
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6. IT WILL BE RECALLED THAT AT THE BEGINNING OF THIS
SESSION, THE SOVIETS HAD INITIALLY FAVORED HAVING THE
CO-CHAIRMAN SOLICIT FORMAL APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP
FROM NONALIGNED CANDIDATES (GENEVA 4190). THEY SUBSEQUENTLY
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ACCEPTED OUR ARGUMENT THAT IT WOULD BE BETTER TO PROCEED

INFORMALLY THROUGH CONSULTATIONS IN SOUNDING OUT NONALIGNED ATTITUDES AND INTERESTS, BUT THE NOTION OF MAKING FORMAL APPLICATIONS HAS SUBSEQUENTLY PROVEN QUITE ATTRACTIVE TO THE NONALIGNED, PARTICULARLY SINCE THE "PRECEDENT" WAS SET BY THE FRG AND GDR. THE PERUVIANS FOLLOWED UP THEIR EARLIER APPROACH WITH A FORMAL APPLICATION ON JULY 15 (GENEVA 4495). THE AMBASSADOR OF ZAIRE HAS INFORMED US THAT HE EXPECTS TO MAKE FORMAL APPLICATION SHORTLY (GENEVA 4758) AND WE LEARNED ON JULY 25 FROM THE JAPANESE THAT THE INDONESIANS ARE ALSO EXPECTED TO MAKE FORMAL APPLICATION VERY SOON. U.S. DELOFFS HAVE CONTINUED TO POINT OUT THAT SUCH FORMAL APPLICATIONS ARE NOT NECESSARY OR EVEN DESIRABLE, BUT UNFORTUNATELY THIS PRACTICE HAS NOW BECOME ALMOST AN ESTABLISHED ONE. AS A CONSEQUENCE, THE NONALIGNED HAVE BEEN ALL THE MORE DESIROUS OF AVOIDING ANY "PREMATURE" MOVES BY THE CO-CHAIRMAN TOWARDS FINALIZING A SLATE OF CANDIDATES BEFORE ALL THE APPLICATIONS ARE IN.

7. THIS TYPE OF CONCERN HAS BEEN MOST EVIDENT AMONG THE LATIN AMERICAN MEMBERS OF THE CCD, WHO HAVE BEEN RELUCTANT TO TAKE ANY POSITION ON THE CANDIDACY OF PERU UNTIL THEY CAN BE REASONABLY CERTAIN THAT NO OTHER LATIN AMERICAN STATES ARE LIKELY TO WANT TO APPLY FOR ADMISSION. AT THIS STAGE, THEY HAVE WANTED TO ENSURE THAT ALL OTHER LATIN AMERICAN STATES WERE AT LEAST AWARE THAT ENLARGEMENT IS BEING CONSIDERED. FOR THIS PURPOSE, THE ARGENTINE CCD REP (BERASATEGUI) MADE REFERENCE TO THE ENLARGEMENT QUESTION AND TO PERU'S CANDIDACY IN A STATEMENT AT THE JULY 26 MEETING OF THE LATIN AMERICAN GROUP OF UN MEMBER STATES IN GENEVA. BERSATEGUI EXPLAINED TO THE GROUP THAT THEY NEED NOT TAKE ANY MOVE OR DECISION REGARDING THIS QUESTION SINCE THE CCD WAS OUTSIDE THE UN SYSTEM, NO ONE ELSE IN THE GROUP MADE ANY COMMENTS OR RAISED ANY QUESTIONS, EXCEPT THE PERUVIAN REP WHO SPOKE BRIEFLY IN ADVOCACY OF HIS COUNTRY'S CANDIDACY.

8. BERSATEGUI HAS TOLD US AND THE SOVIETS THAT IF HIS PRESENTATION DOES NOT PRODUCE ANY MOVES WITHIN THE NEXT WEEK OR TEN DAYS BY OR ON BEHALF OF OTHER LA CANDIDATES (HE HAS IN MIND COLOMBIA AND VENEZUELA IN PARTICULAR),
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HIS DELEGATION WOULD FEEL THE TIME WAS RIPE FOR THE CO-CHAIRMAN TO TAKE THE INITIATIVE AND PROPOSE ADMITTING PERU. HE FELT THAT THE OTHER LA MEMBERS OF THE CCD WOULD THEN FEEL THAT THE PROPER GROUNDWORK HAD BEEN LAID FOR SUCH A STEP AND THAT THEY WOULD BE PREPARED TO AGREE TO THE CO-CHAIRMAN'S PROPOSAL. US DELOFFS HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN TAKING SOUNDINGS OF THEIR OWN ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF ADMITTING COLOMBIA OR VENEZUELA AS MEMBERS OF THE CCD,

BUT HAVE FOUND THAT ONLY PERU HAS ATTRACTED DEFINITE INTEREST AND ATTENTION IN THIS REGARD. IN ADDITION, THE SOVIETS HAVE INDICATED TO US THAT THEY WILL FAVOR PERU WHEN CO-CHAIRMEN MEET TO AGREE ON A SLATE OF CANDIDATES. UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, AND UNLESS SOME NEW LA CANDIDATE EMERGES VERY SOON, US DEL WOULD EXPECT TO REACH EARLY AGREEMENT WITH THE SOVIETS ON PERU'S CANDIDACY.

9. WITH REGARD TO AFRICAN CANDIDATES, WE HAVE ALREADY REPORTED THAT ZAIRE IS ABOUT TO MAKE FORMAL APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP, AND THAT THE NIGERIAN DELEGATION HAS INSTRUCTIONS TO SUPPORT SAIRE'S CANDIDACY (GENEVA 4217). BOTH COUNTRIES ARE NOW ENDEAVORING TO WIN WIDER SUPPORT FROM THE OTHER AFRICAN NATIONS REPRESENTED HERE, AS WELL AS FROM THE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE NONALIGNED IN THE CCD. SINCE OUR INSTRUCTIONS INDICATED THAT THE USG HAD A SLIGHT PREFERENCE FOR CAMEROON OVER ZAIRE, WE HAVEN, IN THE MEANWHILE, BEEN SOUNDING OUT MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE POSSIBILITY OF ADMITTING CAMEROON. BOTH THE NIGERIANS AND THE ETHIOPIANS HAVE BRUSHED THIS ASIDE ON THE GROUNDS THAT CAMEROON IS AN UNIMPORTANT COUNTRY ON THE CONTINENT, PARTICULARLY IN COMPARISON WITH ZAIRE. SOVIETS HAVE ALSO SEEMED TO FAVOR ZAIRE AND TO BE UNINTERESTED IN CAMEROON. IN FACT, THERE APPEARS TO BE NO SERIOUS RIVAL TO ZAIRE AS AN AFRICAN CANDIDATE EXCEPT PERHAPS ALGERIA WHICH HAS APPARENTLY BEEN MENTIONED IN CONVERSATIONS AMONG THE CCD NONALIGNED BUT WHICH, TO OUR KNOWLEDGE, HAS NOT MADE ANY BID FOR MEMBERSHIP. WE BELIEVE THAT PROBABLY THE BEST WAY TO PREVENT AN UNDESIRABLE GROWTH OF INTEREST IN AN ALGERIAN CANDIDACY WOULD BE TO REACH EARLY AGREEMENT WITH THE SOVIET CO-CHAIRMAN IN FAVOR OF ZAIRE'S CANDIDACY AND, UNDER THE AUTHORITY GIVEN IN OUR PRESENT INSTRUCTIONS, WE WILL PROCEED TO DO SO. ABRAMS

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10. AS REGARDS A NEW ASIAN MEMBER OF THE CCD, PAKISTAN HAS
INFORMED US THAT IT IS IN FAVOR OF IRAN (GENEVA 4217),
AND THE INDIANS, WHILE INDICATING THAT IRAN WOULD BE
ACCEPTABLE, HAVE CHIEFLY EXPRESSED AN INTEREST IN INDONESIA.
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AS DEPARTMENT IS AWARE, THE IRANIANS HAVE INDICATED AT THE
UN IN NEW YORK THAT THEY ARE INTERESTED IN JOINING THE
CCD, THOUGH THEY HAVE NOT APPROACHED US HERE. NOR HAVE THE
INDONESIANS. HOWEVER, THE JAPANESE INFORMED US JULY 25
THAT THE INDONESIAN MISSION IN GENEVA EXPECTED TO RECEIVE
INSTRUCTIONS SHORTLY TO APPLY FOR MEMBERSHIP AND THEY ADDED THAT
JAPAN WOULD STRONGLY FAVOR INDONESIA'S CANDIDACY BECAUSE
IT WOULD ENHANCE EAST ASIAN REPRESENTATION ON THE COMMITTEE.
THUS, THERE WILL BE TWO ACTIVE CANDIDATES FOR MEMBERSHIP
FROM ASIA. THIS HAS LED THE INDIANS TO SPECULATE THAT
BOTH OF THESE ASIAN STATES MIGHT BE ADMITTED, FOR A TOTAL
OF FOUR NONALIGNED. THE SOVIETS HAVE ALSO INDICATED A
WILLINGNESS TO ADMIT BOTH IRAN AND INDONESIA, BUT, IN
CORRIDOR CONVERSATIONS, RAISED THE POSSIBILITY THAT BURMA
MIGHT WITHDRAW AND THAT IRAN COULD THEN TAKE ITS PLACE.
THE SOVIETS HAVE ADMITTED TO US PRIVATELY, HOWEVER, THAT THEY
HAVE NO EVIDENCE OF BURMESE INTEREST IN WITHDRAWAL AND WE

HAVE SEEN NONE OURSELVES. INDEED, THE HEAD OF THE BURMESE DELEGATION, AMBASSADOR WIN PE, WHO IS STATIONED IN ROME, HAS BEEN COMING TO CCD MEETINGS MORE FREQUENTLY THAN BEFORE.

11. OUR INSTRUCTIONS AUTHORIZE US TO AGREE TO THE ADMISSION OF BOTH INDONESIA AND IRAN BUT ADD THAT OUR WILLINGNESS TO DO THAT SHOULD NOT BE REVEALED PREMATURELY. WE ARE INCREASINGLY CONCERNED THAT SUCH A MOVE MIGHT PROMPT PRESSURES EITHER HERE OR AT GA FOR ADDITIONAL REPRESENTATION FROM LATIN AMERICA AND AFRICA. IN PARTICULAR, IT MIGHT LEAD TO EFFORTS, WHICH WE WOULD JUDGE HIGHLY UNDESIRABLE, TO SEAT ALGERIA ALONG WITH ZAIRE. WE THINK THIS PROBLEM MERITS FURTHER EXAMINATION HERE AND IN WASHINGTON AND THAT IN THE MEANWHILE WE SHOULD NOT INDICATE TO OTHER CCD MEMBERS THAT US WOULD BE WILLING TO ADMIT BOTH INDONESIA AND IRAN.

12. WE HAVE TENTATIVELY ARRANGED FOR CO-CHAIRMAN'S MEETING DURING THE WEEK OF JULY 29TH AT WHICH WE WOULD PLAN TO REACH AGREEMENT WITH THE SOVIETS ON A SLATE OF NONALIGNED CANDIDATES AS DESCRIBED ABOVE. BOTH WE AND THE SOVIETS FEEL THAT BY THEN SUFFICIENT TIME WILL HAVE BEEN ALLOTTED TO THE NONALIGNED FOR THEIR PRELIMINARY CONSIDERATION OF THE ENLARGEMENT ISSUE AND THAT THEY

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WILL BE PREPARED FOR INITIATIVES FROM THE CO-CHAIRMEN. WE WOULD PLAN TO BEGIN FINAL CONSULTATIONS WITH THE NONALIGNED ON A SLATE OF MEMBERS DURING THE WEEK OF AUGUST 5 AFTER FIRST APPRIZING OUR ALLIES OF OUR PLANS. THROUGHOUT THESE PAST WEEKS, WE HAVE, OF COURSE, REMAINED IN TOUCH WITH OUR ALLIES ABOUT DEVELOPMENTS IN NONALIGNED THINKING, AND THEY THEMSELVES HAVE BEEN IN CONTACT WITH THE NON-ALIGNED. WE HAVE SEEN NO SIGNS OF ANY OBJECTIONS ON THE PART OF OUR ALLIES TO THE LEADING NONALIGNED CANDIDATES FOR MEMBERSHIP CITED ABOVE, AND THE ATTITUDE OF OUR ALLIES HAS, OF COURSE, ALSO BEEN FAVORABLY INFLUENCED BY THE FACT THAT NONE OF THE NONALIGNED HAS INDICATED ANY OBJECTION TO THE WESTERN CANDIDATE FOR MEMBERSHIP, THE FRG.

13. WE HAVE ALSO BEEN REGULARLY BRIEFING THE FRG AND OTHER INTERESTED NATO MISSIONS HERE ON ENLARGEMENT DEVELOPMENTS. IT WILL BE RECALLED THAT THE BELGIAN REP (ONKELINX) INDICATED LAST SESSION (GENEVA 3250) THAT BELGIUM MIGHT REVIVE ITS EARLIER BID FOR CCD REPRESENTATION, BUT WE HAVE HEARD NOTHING FURTHER ABOUT THIS AND ONKELINX GIVES THE IMPRESSION THAT THE MATTER HAS BEEN DROPPED IN BRUSSELS.

14. AS FOR THE AUSTRALIANS, AMBASSADOR CORKERY IS CONTINUING TO TAKE SOUNDINGS HERE (GENEVA 4640 AND 4687) BUT, TO OUR KNOWLEDGE, IN EVERY CASE HE HAS MET WITH A DISCOURAGING RECEPTION. SOVIETS HAVE INDICATED TO US THAT THEY WILL DO EVERYTHING THEY CAN TO DISSUADE THE AUSTRALIANS FROM FORMALLY APPLYING FOR MEMBERSHIP. NONALIGNED REPS WHOM THE AUSTRALIANS HAVE CONTACTED HAVE ALSO OFFERED THE AUSTRALIANS NO ENCOURAGEMENT. ARGENTINE REP WHO MET WITH AUSTRALIANS JULY 25 SUBSEQUENTLY TOLD US THAT AMB CORKERY APPEARED TO REALIZE THAT AUSTRALIA DOES NOT HAVE A CHANCE OF BEING ADMITTED TO CCD AT THIS TIME. ARGENTINES GOT IMPRESSION THAT AUSTRALIANS WERE NOW LARGELY SEEKING TO MAKE THEIR INTEREST IN MEMBERSHIP A MATTER OF RECORD. WE EXPECT TO BE IN TOUCH WITH AUSTRALIANS DURING COMING WEEK, BUT IN VIEW OF THE NEGATIVE REACTIONS THE AUSTRALIANS HAVE RECEIVED SO FAR, WE DO NOT BELIEVE THAT THEIR SOUNDINGS HERE SHOULD DETER US FROM MOVING AHEAD TO SEEK AGREEMENT
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WITH THE SOVIETS ON A SLATE OF NONALIGNED CANDIDATES. ABRAMS

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